Howland Wood - Curatorial

King, Robert P.
[Erie, PA]

1914-1926

August 5th, 1914.

Mr. R. P. King,
c/o L. S. & M. S. Ry.,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter at hand, and I note what you have to say, and appreciate the position you are in. Do not let this disturb you in the least. Things like that happen, and we have got to make the most of them. I think that we can get along all right by correspondence, and although it might not be possible to check up things so quickly, as time is not a factum, things will work out all right.

Much obliged for the two notes on reverses from Warner's pamphlet. I will study these out, and as we have here in the library a pamphlet of his filled with cuts, I think I can discribe these two new reverses minutely.

I will from time to time take up various things that I may need help on. Two things I think of right now. One is any Lincoln medals that have been issued in the past year and a half for these might have escaped Mr. Hewitt, or have been issued since his death. Another point I am working on is the careful examination of the different obverse and reverse dies of the little mint medals, the ones with the head of Lincoln and reverse with heads of Washington, Grant, Garfield, Broken Column, &c. If you could send these on to me to study out, I would be much obliged. We do not want you to incur any expense, as we have ample funds to bring out the book.

I beg to remain,

Very truly.

September 8th, 1914.

Mr. R. P. King,
c/o L. S. & M. S. Ry. Co.,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:-

Your letter and package containing medals came to hand to-day, and I want to thank you very much for sending these on because if you had described them I would not have found certain things about them that I have found out.

Your large Grand Army medal makes the third die. Mr. Hewitt had one that is almost identical with your first die except it has the monogram J.F.R. under 1909.

The Outlet Company medals showing two reverses, now makes three reverses. I have one almost the same as your brass one, but the lettering is spaced slightly different. I would not have discovered this except I was closly examining all three specimens.

The little Key medal I had already noted the two different styles of beading. I doubt, however, if I will be able to fully straighten out all of the different reverses so as to be able to tell which obverse goes with which.

The Gettysburg medal I already have.

I am glad you called my attention to Elder's sale catalogue. I had overlooked Lot 257, and am going to see Elder to see if I can locate this piece. His Lot 268a is a medal he has just gotten out. You can get this in a variety of metals, as is usual with Elder's productions. He states there are 6 silver, 6 copper, 6 brass, 6 German silver, 6 white metal, 6 pewter, and 50 aluminum.

The piece you spoke of that Mathas wrote you about exists. If I have the right piece, it has the obverse of the Ellis medal with the inscription HON. ABRAHAM LINCOLN 1860. Reverse THE RAILSPLITTER OF THE WEST. I have a record this comes muled with Eagle, Kossuth, Yates card, Jennings Wheeler & Co., Public Square, Nashville, West's Trained Dogs, and the reverse of Doremus and Nixon's card without their name. Zabriskie has this in copper and brass.

I have been unable to get the photographer. As soon as I am, I will return you your medals.

I beg to thank you very much, and remain,

Yours sincerely,

September 16th, 1915.

Mr. Robert P. King,
c/o N. Y. C. R. R. Co.,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:-

Your letter at hand, and the piece you sent on I have. There is a young collector here in New York who I think would like it. This was made and given to the school children of Boston on Evacuation Day, 1901.

I have not discovered anything new in the way of Lincoln. I have been held up because I have been unable to go over two prominent Lincoln collections. One consists fully of campaign souvenirs formed at the time, and I think may reveal a lot of things I do not know about. In the catalogue I will include one of those large burlesque Lincoln pieces, simply stating that the name of various cities have been substituted in the panel. The aluminum cards with the Lincoln cent in the centre I am not going to include, possibly when I discribe the Lincoln cent I may state that these cents, together with the Indian Head cents, have been mounted up into aluminum borders as lucky cents and advertising cards. I have forgotten whether I asked your opinion as to the best way of arranging the series. Hewitt, as you know, listed them by size. This probably is the easiest way. Whether the best way or not I do not know. Another way that has occurred to me, though there are some objections to it, is by epochs, that is, first Lincoln campaign, first presidency, second campaign, second presidency, assassination, miscellaneous medals to 1909, 1909 series, then those issued since, Masonic, mint issues, those pertaining to military and Grand Army organizations, store cards, ferrotypes. This arrangment would require quite an elaborate index and cross reference as medals of the same obverse might fill in several series. I would like your opinion on what you think would be the best arrangment.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

February 9, 1916.

Mr. Robert P. King
N.Y.C. RR. Co.,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:-

Your letter at hand enclosing the new shield shape Lincoln. I will list this piece but will hold on to it for a while until I get a sufficient number of pieces to put on one negative. I suppose this is your specimen. I am glad to know about this. I saw Elder a day or so ago and he has promised to save me some of the Lincoln Preparedness pieces. He has not got them yet. The description is his catalogue is not correct as the reverse die has been changed. In due course of time I send you specimens of these in a couple of different metals.

I did not know of any die varieties in the large size Indian Peace medal but am not supprised. I have compared our mint restrike, which is old, with one of the original silver pieces and as far as I can see, they are identical. The probabilities are that at some time or other the die broke and they have made a new die so as to keep the series on tap. When you get your piece I will be glad to hear from you what the differences are.

I have included two plaques of Brenner's. One 2 9//6 wide and the other 1 13/16 wide. I am a little at a loss to know which one you call Sneider's plaque. Can you give me the size and a brief description because I certainly want to list it. Possibly I have it but as all my pieces are arranged by sizes, it is an awful job to look up unless I have the size. I would be glad to have one of the American Badge Specimens and as you say you have several, could you save one for us? I think I have listed the Minneapolis Bank that was in Lambert's sale. I have one of the First National Bank, 2 inches wide. Probably this is it.

To tell you the turth the Lincoln Book is lying daunt as I am simply filled up with other kinds of work and can hardly give any time to this. The fact is that I am a good deal like the European forces, at a dead lock. I am waiting to go thourgh Proskey's collection, but somehow, neither of us can arrange any time.

Very truly yours,

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July 12th, 1916.

Mr. Robert P. King,
c/o L.S. & M.S. Railway,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:-

Your letter at hand. Some time, at your convenience, I would like to see that modern Lincoln Indian peace medal. We have here original silver ones, so that I can tell absolutely whether the restrike now issued is from the old die or not.

The book is not progressing at all satisfactory. I am trying to keep the card list as up to date as possible, but as time goes on I find I have less and less time to really consistently take up this book. I feel that something ought to be done, and in the fall we are going to try to make arrangements with one of our members to take over the editing, etc., of this.

I do not know where you could get a copy of the first Cadillac card. If I remember correctly I saw one in one of Elder's sales, and wrote the Cadillac people for one. They sent me a medal, but it was different than the one I saw at Elder's. I suppose you have written them too, and the reason we can not get the first Cadillac medal is because they have none left. The address I wrote to was the agent at 232 Halsey Street, Newark, N. J. Possibly if you wrote to the main office at Detroit you might get other cards.

I have a large number of Civil War tokens that I have not looked over. Undoubtedly there are some Lincoln's in these, but it is impossible to say when I can get around to this, as there is so much more important work ahead of me. The Society has been selling the Lincoln plaques, although we have not as yet advertised them. You can get a silver one for $10.00, and a bronze one for $5.00. Let me know which you want, and I will have one sent you.

Very truly yours,

July 29th, 1916.

Mr. Robert P. King,
c/o N. Y. C. Railway Co.,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:-

Your letter and package arrived. Many thanks for the little Lincoln piece.

I have compared the Indian medal carefully with our original silver one, and find no difference at all on the obverse. The reverse however is from a different die, though in all but one instance the differences are slight. The chief way to tell is on the original J. WILLSON DEL & SC. is under the ground in the center medallion. The other differences are so slight they would hardly be noticed. I am sending you a rubbing from the original which you can have for your files. We have plenty of the Lincoln plaques on hand, so that you can get one whenever you want.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Eau Pa. 10/15/16

Dear Mr Wood

Please note enclosed letter from Mr Chapman with reference to the set of medals you recently sent me photos of -

You said there was a set for sale in Newport at 75.00 - Has this set been sold yet or is it one of the other three sets mentioned by Mr Chapman and is there really only four sets in existence?

You will note my dies is shorter than yours, I have compared them with the description in Elder's sale of some time ago and find the set he calls is short the

same Brazilian wheat bears
not to work of either as the advertised
and Elias Foster for sale or if they
will take the trees in this deal
Can you say?

Also would like if possible to
obtain addresses of the three
men mentioned in this letter,
not in connection with this but
for my Lincoln collection, in general

Any further progress with the
book?

As I have run out of question
marks I will bid you an affectionate
farewell

Yours
Robert King.

October 17, 1916.

Mr. H. P. King
[illegible] Bldg.
Erie, Pa.

Dear King:-

Your letter at hand. The Lincoln medals that Henry Chapman offers you were all owned by F. G. C. Boyd who bought four sets, including a few odd ones, one or two brass and one or two gold ones somewhat ago. He evidently has sold two sets and has kept one and the fourth set he offered to us for $75. Evidently he could not find a purchaser and has put them into Chapman's hands and from the price they are now offered for, I should judge that he came down in price very considerably. The set to my mind is well worth the $80. Unfortunately the Society has not that amount of money to buy otherwise we would have secured them ago long ago.

F. G. C. Boyd's address is 564 Academy Street, New York,

Elliott Smith's address is 40 Anderson St., New Rochelle, N. Y., and Harry [illegible] Montgomery died a few months ago. What has become of his coins I do not know. I think Merritt of Rochester is selling some of them.

If my memory serves me correctly, all of the sets lack one brass piece. The one or two gold pieces found were not put into the set and were sold separately I think.

I am sorry there is no further progress on the Lincoln Book.

Very sincerely yours,

September 26th, 1917.

Mr. R. P. King,
c/o L.S. M.S. R'way,
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:-

Your letter and the medal have come to hand. The pin bar that is looking on the piece you sent in not at all necessary, and there is no need to photograph it. I will return this piece as soon as I have occasion to have some more photographs made.

I have hopes of getting that Lincoln medal I spoke about the other day, but until I do actually get it, I am not saying anything.

The letter from Pietz I am returning. He generally sends us specimens of the better class medals he makes. If he sends you the new Lincoln he speaks about let us know, and if we receive one I will let you know.

I have no idea what those enamel buttons are that were listed in Elder's August Sale. I was away at the time, and did not see the catalogue until too late. I will try to remember to find out what I can from him the next time I see him.

Unfortunately the Society has very little accurate data on the Sigel Lincoln medal, which was the first piece the Society issued. It was in the hands of a Committee or several Committees that strung along for a period of years. Our records show that they were struck in both bronze and white metal. The accounts of the small number struck are undoubtedly wrong as

there seem to be more known than these small numbers would warrant, and I should judge that there are about as many in white metal as in bronze. Also there was a rumor that the die cracked after some small number was struck, but the diesin our possession show no crack, and also they are the identical dies that struck all of the medals that we have seen. We have a second pair of dies showing certain changes of which no specimens were said to have been struck from, and certainly we have never seen any.

Now for the cast pieces, the history is this, that the blanks of these medals on account of the high relief of the design were all cast and then struck from the dies. We have here in both white metal and bronze struck and cast specimens. It is said that a number of very finely cast pieces were brought out at the tail end of the issue as they did not think the dies would stand striking any more. You mention block tin, I think these are the white metal medals that I refer to because much white metal is very largely tin.

It is news to me that Dr. Disbrow has one of the original dies of our medal. I can not understand it.

I am sorry I can not give you any further exact information on our first medal.

Very truly yours,

April 6th, 1918.

Mr. R. P. King,
Room 12, Scott Block,
Erie, Pa.

My dear Mr. King:-

I am very glad to hear from you, and also wish to congratulate you on your new position. From what you say I should judge you did well to make the change, and trust that you will continue liking your new job.

Lincoln medals have been going rather slow with us. Since Mr. Hewitt's death, there has been no one here interested in the subject, for I can not give any special time to it. Although when he was alive it was our intention to publish a book on this subject, I doubt if we will ever do it now for there is no one here to push it, also no money for the purpose, and the collection which he said he was going to leave to us, he did not, and his widow recently gave it to the National Museum at Washington. We are, without especial effort, still collecting data. As I may have told you some little time ago we sent our book with all of the material to Mr. Cathcart, of the Western Reserve Historical Society, who appeared much interested in the subject, his museum having a large collection, buying a short time ago Montgomery's pieces. Since then we have not been able to get back the material.

The medal you sent a rubbing of seems new to me. I do not remember it in the book, and should not wonder but that it is one that has been overlooked.

I never was able to locate that Jew pawn broker again, so doubt if I will ever see that medal tough undoubtedly another one will turn up. I am glad to know about the

Lincoln medal that John Williams Company made, and have made a note of it.

As yet we have not heard again from Adam Pietz concerning the second Lincoln medal. In fact I had forgotten about it. Why don't you write him?

Under separate cover I am enclosing a fob with a Lincoln head, which you may have. This is the only new thing that did come in.

In the meantime I beg to remain,

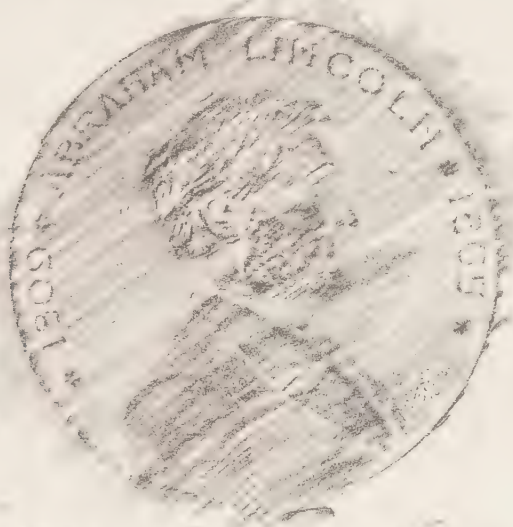
Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

In the excitement I
have never mentioned the
[illegible] for the [illegible]
[illegible] I have to offer
excuse it very much when a
beautiful [illegible]
[illegible] where they may
scattered? I have [illegible] the
[illegible]
[illegible] very sorry to hear that the
London [illegible]
[illegible] which met a great [illegible]
[illegible] had to sell all his [illegible]
[illegible] you say you [illegible]
[illegible] the truth then
[illegible] much to learn [illegible]
[illegible]

Smith Petty and succeeded in
telling that second medal

[illegible] the only one we receive on
the Shelter - I have reach a very
[illegible] head of Lincoln [illegible]
I can reach it to them upon [illegible]
[illegible]



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with the little [illegible] around edge

[illegible] I had [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] highly [illegible]

Thanking you again for
your many kindnesses
I remain

Very truly
Robt. P. W. King

Robin N
[illegible]

Erie Pa 7/7/18

Dear Mr Wood

Do you want me to continue
sending you nothing and description
of new fancies this may come to
hand or is the fancies totally forsaken
abandoned? I sincerely hope not however.
I have recently acquired a fine new 3
Mr - 'Mr' National Republican Convention
Souvenir badge' - very handsome and will
need nothing if designing.
I thank you for the tips re. the new letter
from Big - I got one of them from him
and then loaned him those new
a fair.
Is it too to have a fancies buffalo
commemorative of the Illinois national
do you know whether these have been
issued from the mint yet or not?
In this connection I wonder if
Whitehead & Hoag have issued a
number of fancies for use in the
various celebrations throughout
Illinois this year, did I understand

you to say you have seen in the form of one of the officials of the Company!

Do you need notice this? Well, I do hope this letter is in time but now I think it was wise that we were omission of H.P.B.

Did you see Mr. Leadbeater's medallion of his twins in Adyar and Olcott?

Trusting the unstated conditions prevailing here may be kept in mind

Sincerely

Very truly

Robert King

Convention
Notre Dame.

Erie, Penna. September 15", 1919

Mr. Howland Wood,
American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Replying to yours of September 13", just received with reference to the Lincoln Catalog now in the hands of Mr. Cathcart.

I cannot well spare the time to go to Cleveland , nor do I think it would be as satisfactory from my point of view as having the material here where I could go through it at my leisure in the evenings, so as I infer from your letter you think the Western Reserve have had it long enough, would appreciate it very much if you will have Mr. Cathcart send it on to me, I will agree to return it to you inside of two years, probably will not want longer than two or three weeks, a month at the outside.

Any new interests in which I could be of any service to you?

Very Truly Yours,

Rec'd 13
Sept. Reg.

November 17th, 1919.

Mr. Robert P. King,
Erie, Pa.

My dear Mr. King:-

The package of the Lincoln material came to hand Friday. I would have acknowledgedthis sooner only certain things prevented my doing so. I want to thank you for returning this material so promptly. As yet I have not had an opportunity to go through it to see what the Western Reserve Historical Society has done with the matter. I will try to get off to you in a few days what supplementary matter I have. It is chiefly rough notes and photographs without any attempt to classify.

The card catalogue presumably includes all of the pieces in the Zebriskie collection but as this collection was looked over some years ago, some parts fairly hurriedly, I am inclined to think that there may be an occasional piece now and then that escaped Mr. Howitt. We have this collection now in the building, and sometime I will try to put somebody on to it to compare it carefully with our card catalogue.

I beg to thank you again for the prompt returning of the catalogue, and believe me,

Very truly yours,

Erie Pa Jan 7th 1920

My Dear Wood

Some month or so ago you said you would send me shortly your loose Lincoln data the material that has accumulated since the cards were sent to Cleveland.

Could I have it for long? I am wanting to remember my Catalog and also want to send you new pieces I have added to the list as per your request.

With best wishes I am

Yours Truly

Robt Rhing

Room 13
Scott Bldg

January 9, 1920

Robert F. King
Room 13, Scott Building
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

Getting ready for our annual meeting has side-tracked my getting at the Lincoln material. I am sending you herewith what little we have.

I thought I had myself usal more. You will note there are 4 for photographs and one or two memorandum. This stuff is absolutely side-tracked with us, so we have no money to publish it, and there is no one since Mr. Levitt's death directly interested in Lincoln medals. Any use you can make of the material we have gotten together, you are welcome to.

I am sorry I have not been a better correspondent in recent months, but several large collections of Oriental coins, numbering about 30,000, have kept me busy during all my spare time for the past two years, and will keep me going for many years to come.

Any data that I get hold of on Lincoln medals, so that the catalogue can be kept up to date, I am glad to get. I will file it away with the rest of the data, so that someone can make use of it some time.

Very truly,

(Enclosures) Curator.

Erie Penn
June 7 1913

Dear Mr Wood

Harris heard from you for quite a while with news of how they left you after Carpenter, as the last from you he knew was good & warm

Remember you collected Alan Cards and tokens of this kind when we were discussing and coming across the enclosed in a miscellaneous mail time from days ago thought perhaps they might be of interest to you, if so kindly accept with our [illegible]

Our still plugging away at Lincolns and add a new worthy occasionally to the [illegible]

Trusting everything is well with you and with may that may [illegible]

Yours Truly

[illegible]

June 9th, 1923

R. H. P. King, Esq.
Scott Building
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

It certainly has been a long time since we have written to one another, and I have not given a thought to Lincoln medals for a number of years. Nothing has really come to the Museum worth mentioning, but we have had a multitude of coins and medals presented to us.

Thank you very much for the these little tokens; it was very good of you to send them. I am glad that I am still remembered although I think I do not deserve it!

I hope that you have been picking up some nice additions for your cabinet, and that you are well.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

Eau Pleine, 6/19/93

Mr Harland Wood
Hartford Ney.

Dear Mr Wood, –

Since the receipt of your letter of [illegible] I have been waiting for [illegible] a few days [illegible] completely a calaby of business requires to be fulfilled in the Nominations and the next which I am trying to do – [illegible] me to be [illegible] the old Democrats and disappointed a lot of the ARS must have the cards –

Now the fact is I am [illegible] who is no other "War tories" – Mr. A. [illegible]

who with all respects from 70 in
down regard as to whether
they were actually Mrs Fathers
not, I would write if it was
passing too much on your time
to read you the letters following
which I have received from your
the disciples and they
were written with W.T. all
your Consider proper to Exclude
such as have heading -
I know of no one who justifies
to do this and is really not
not of a Spiritual character -
This would help me more
fully, as I know there are letters
they letters for instance that I
do not think ever did
duty as Christ more Letters -
Thanking you for a reply I am
Very Truly
Robert King
Sent Dly.

June 22rd, 1923

Mr. Robert P. King
Scott Building
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

Replying to your favour of June 18th, I shall be very glad to do what I can in checking up the Lincoln Civil War tokens. I understand that all the Robbins Royce and Hard tokens were made since the War. I am uncertain about the key cards with high relief of Lincoln, Grant and McClellan. They are generally included but I think that they do not belong in the Civil War series.

I shall be away most of July but will try to look over the list every chance I get.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

Erie Penna 6/25/83

Dear Mr Wood

Pursuant to your kind offer in years of 6/20 I send you herewith sheets from my old book from 50 m to 18 m. just as they come. The Mar Tokens seem to be mixed in among the others. Don't be afraid of disfiguring these sheets, they are of no value after I get the new sheets ready for the printer so if you will mark "W.T." on such as you consider Mar Tokens & "NO" on the others that you do not consider Mar Tokens I will be thankful, I note what you say regarding the Robinson Nov Tokens.

While in no great hurry I would like if possible to get complete

Messrs in Mr Duffields hands
prior to the August Convention
of the Ladies

Yours Very Truly
[illegible]

July 6th, 1923

Mr. Robert P. King
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

I am returning, herewith, your list of Lincoln medals. You will see that I have marked comparatively few as War tokens.

Any questions you may care to take up for discussion, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

Eu Prime 7/20/78

Mr Howland Good
New York City

Dear Sir Good

I was so very glad the Lucien Moore leaves for Mr Duffield that I could write you after receipt of your letter of July 6 received and to the Van Tokens' disappointment I think you very much and have worked the MSS just as you have wished. Duffield sends you kindest regards.

I have sent Mr Duffield some 62 medals for photographing to illustrate the list and when we from Lowell come to have illustrated but twenty three in my collection and of them are in the ANS Collection (three these are and should they deny more

[illegible] in the Jackson Collection would it be possible to let Mr. Duffield have photos of the four pieces or send him the pieces for photographing?

They are the Medallion Lady (Mr. J. has this Medallion at the time)

The Mann medal

The "Spirit mark" Mann key piece and the

Bolen Dufrus Liberty Head

Jackson

If you describe in full of the four pieces and if you could keep us out on this Lincoln affair it would be

Very Truly

[illegible]

I know the Jefferson Collection contained many pieces that are among the rarest and should you add a few of the necessary rare ones to the few I have named – it will be "perfectly all right" – and then some

Yours K.

July 31st, 1923.

Mr. R. P. King,
Room 13, Scott Building,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. King:

I have been away on my vacation for the past few days so only received your letter this morning.

I am taking the photographs from my scrap-book of Lincoln medals, and have added, as you will notice, a number of extra specimens. Will you please see that I get these back so that I can again put them in my book. I thought better to send these to you rather than Duffield so you could look them over.

Very truly,

23 prints enclosed.

Dear Mr Moore

Enclosed

Letter Tailing I have received
and I blame you for the frequent
assortment of hair I would
[illegible] to do when I had
no taken [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

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AUG 3
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THIS SIDE OF CARD FOR ADDRESS

Mrs Rowland Wood
c/o American Humane Ass'n
Tremont Bldg
Boston Mass

Dear Mr Wood

Yesterday I received the sails from Mr Duffield which you so kindly loaned us and I thank you very much for the use of them. I trust you will find them in nearly as good condition as when sent. They have been of great service to us and I regret that they have not well fended us for the good of the cause.

Should you have any other sails or any other things you may wish to borrow please let me know.

Yours Truly

February 26th, 1924

Robert P. King, Esq.
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

I want to congratulate you on the Lincoln number. I think I know pretty well the amount of work involved in making this list.

I cannot remember that we have had anything new in Lincoln material of late. The photographs have arrived safely, and I do not see that they are much the worse for wear.

Very truly yours,

Curator

December 5th, 1924

Mr. Robert P. King
Rm.13, Scott Building
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

Mr. John M. Connor, Jr. has asked me to photograph for you two medals with Lincoln inscriptions. These I take pleasure in enclosing, herewith.

I suppose you are still adding Lincoln material to your Collection. We seem to be acquiring nothing new, otherwise you would have heard from me.

Trusting you are well, I am,

Very truly yours,

Encs.

Curator

Erie, Penna. May 18" 1926

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Wood:

I am going to trespass on your time a little which I trust you will pardon. Of late I have been "dabbling" a little in Bungtowns,- a few came my way in a trade, came across some more later on, and have been acquiring them since whereever possible, I would like to ask you if you know of any work on these, or any list showing varieties, any information as to where they originate etc?

I do not imagine these are held in very high esteem by serious minded collectors, still I think that anything connected with the early settlement of our country is worthy of study.

Will be very glad to hear from you with regard to this, I am,

Yours Very Truly,

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Any of Scott's copper Catalogues before the 1893 Edition. I cannot put my hand on it so cannot give the year.

Atkins Tokens of the 18th Century. At the end of book gives a list of Counterfeit ½d.

Pamphlet by C W Betts on Counterfeit ½d

a number of Short articles in Am. Journal of Numismatics.

May 22nd, 1926

Robert R. King, Esq.
Scott Building
Erie, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

Your question with regard to the Bungtowns is somewhat hard to answer, as so little really good has been written concerning them.

One of Scott's Stamp and Coin Company's copper Catalogues, before the last or 1893 edition, contained a very good list of these pieces. Unfortunately, we have not this Catalogue here, and I cannot remember the exact date of issue. In the book of Atkins' Tokens of the 18th Century, is a good list from the English standpoint of the counterfeit half-pence of George III. There is a pamphlet by C. W. Betts on counterfeit half-pence, issued in Pennsylvania. There are also a number of short articles, but no catalogue or check list, in various numbers of the American Journal of Numismatics. I firmly believe that 99% of them were made in England.

Mr. Hillyer Ryder, of Carmel, N.Y., is a very active collector of these pieces, and if you should communicate with him, I think that he would be able to help you more than I can.

Very truly yours,

Curator